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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Norbert A. Gschwend

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Title: "PHARMACEUTIC PREPARATION FOR THE TREATMENT OF RHEUMATIC SYNDROMES"

Docket No.: 33809

**LETTER**

Asst. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Attention Refund Section, Accounting Div.  
Office of Finance  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir/Madam:

There appears to be an erroneous charge applied to our Deposit Account 16-0820 on February 14, 2002, in the amount of \$110.00 (Posting Ref. Txt 09889752). The charge is for a one-month extension of time for responding to a "Notification Of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371" In The United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)" dated September 14, 2001.

After a review of the file, it is believed that no extension of time fee was necessary, since the response was due November 14, 2001 and the response to the outstanding notice was submitted on November 13, 2001. Enclosed is a copy of our transmittal letter and return postcard, both showing a mailing date of November 13, 2001. Therefore, it is requested that a refund be issued in the amount of \$110.00, if appropriate. The refund may be applied to our Deposit Account 16-0820 Order No. 33809.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Attn: Refund Section, Accounting Division, Office of Finance, Washington, D.C. 20231 on the date indicated below.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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